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Summary: Cress is catching up on her second era television viewing after the revolution... when Scarlet walks in. And then Thorne. And Wolf. Could this be the beginning of a new craze among the Rampion Crew? Takes place some time after Winter.

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"_Rose Tyler, Iâ€¦_"

Cress sat encaptured, waiting for whatever he was going to say next. Was this it? Would he say it? Could heâ€¦

"What're you watching, Cress?"

Cress hurriedly paused the show and looked up at Scarlet, who was squinting at the screen.

"Oh, it's, uh, a second-era show called 'Doctor Who' about this guy who t-time travels in a blue box with his friends. Well, ac-actually, it's a time machine, but it looks like a b-box. It's bigger on the inside." Cress managed to stammer out.

She had known Scarlet for a couple of weeks by now, but was still a bit wary of the trigger-happy frenchwoman. Everyone said that Scarlet was really nice, but that didn't mean that she wasn't intimidated by her.

"That sounds sort of interesting. Mind if I join you?" Cress shook her head. Scarlet plopped down on the couch next to her.

"I c-can start the show from the beginning. It's sort of c-confusing if you don't watch the episodes in the r-right order."

Scarlet squinted at her for a very long moment, as if trying to read her mind. She eventually shrugged.

"If you don't mind."

"I don't." Cress whispered. She clicked on "Rose" and settled back to watch. They were no more than fifteen minutes in when Thorne walked into the room.

"What're you guys doing? Scarlet, is Cress getting you into net dramas?" He smirked at Scarlet, who threw a pillow at him. He caught it and tossed it back at her.

"Cress is showing me this second-era show called 'Doctor Who'."

"Doctor _Who?_" Thorne asked, his face twisting into a look of confusion.

"Exactly!" Scarlet grinned.

"Whatever. Hey, Cress?"

Cress' heart jumped.

"Umâ€¦ yes, Captain?"

"Can I stay and watch with you guys?" He looked so earnest when he said it that Cress froze again.

"Um, sure?" She squeaked out. He looked relieved, and flopped down on the couch in between the two girls. Cress quickly explained the basics of the show to him and restarted the episode. They were exactly seven minutes in when Wolf walked in.

"Hey, Wolf," Thorne said, "Where's everyone else?"

Wolf turned several shades of pink before shaking his head and sitting down next to Scarlet, looping an arm around her.

"Ooh, no, wait! Let me guess! Cinder and Kai are probably in the engine room making out again, and Iko is probably spying on them. Am I right?"

Wolf nodded, and then looked at the screen.

"What're you guys watching?"

Cress once again began explaining the show, when Kai, cheeks slightly flushed, walked in.

"Where's Cinder?" Thorne asked, in an act of overexaggerated sincerity.

"Chewing out Iko for walking in on uâ€¦ say, what're you guys watching?" He feebly gestured at the screen, suddenly acutely aware that the four other crew members had a knowing smirk on their faces and were communicating through smug glances.

"It's a second-era show..." Cress began, breaking the awkward silence. "...About a man who travels with his friends in a time machine..." Kai gratefully sat down on the floor and listened to her explanation.

"That sounds pretty interesting," said Kai.

"Mind if I join?"

When Cinder and Iko walked in, still bickering loudly before they were shushed loudly by their friends, who were gaping at the screen as The Doctor told Gwyneth:

"_I'm sorry. Thank you._" He ran out, before Gwyneth pulled out her book of matches andâ€¦

BOOM! The building was blown to pieces.

Cress was almost in tears. Scarlet was struck dumb. Wolf was gaping at the screen. Kai's jaw had dropped. And Thorne's reaction was some sort of combination of everyone's expressions. It looked as though he might start yelling at the screen while crying before passing out.

Cinder and Iko exchanged a glance, then shrugged and sat down.

When the credits rolled, Cinder asked:

"So what're you guys watching, anyway?" Iko nodded in agreement.

They were then shocked by four of the of the five other crewmembers pouncing on them, explaining the show in excruciating detail, as Cress smiled and shrugged in a "there's no stopping them now" way.

Once the show had been explained, they all sat down and watched Doctor Who until late into the night. They all had to agree that it was a "_Fantastic_" show.

**A/N: The writing in italics is from season 2, episode 13, "Doomsday", and season 1, episode 3, "The Unquiet Dead". **

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